

**GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT**

Prohibition and Excise - Sanction of exgratia to the disabled toddy tappers / legal heirs of deceased tappers from departmental budget after expiry of the present Group Personal Accident Insurance scheme - Orders - Issued.

REVENUE (EXCISE-II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No: 361

Dated: 01-03-2009.

Read the following:-

- 1) GOMs.No.555, Rev. (Ex.II) Dept. Dated. 13-05-2006
- 2) G.O. Rt. No. 1687 Rev (Ex-II) Dept, Dated: 28-08-2008
- 3) From Commissioner of Prohibition and Excise,
Lr.No.2066/CPE/2009/E2, dt.24-02-2009

ORDER:

In the reference 1st read above, orders were issued introducing " A comprehensive Group personal Accident insurance scheme" to toddy tappers with effect from 08-06-2006 in lieu of the then existing exgratia scheme and a Memorandum of Understanding was signed with the ICICI Lombard General Insurance Company Limited for operationalization of the scheme. As per the said scheme an amount of Rs. 2.00 lakhs is being paid to the legal heir of the deceased tapper, Rs. 50000/- in case of permanent disability and Rs.10,000/-in case of temporary disability .

2. In the reference 3rd read above, the Commissioner of Prohibition and Excise reported that the Memorandum of Understanding with ICICI Lombard Insurance Company for payment of compensation to disabled tappers/ families of deceased tappers ended by 08-06-2008. It is noticed that ICICI has rejected certain cases on technical grounds like delay in submission of required documents, etc. As per the available information the ICICI has rejected 367 cases pertaining to the year 2006-07 and 542 cases pertaining to the year 2007-08. Subsequently Memorandum of Understanding has been entered with M/s. Oriental Insurance Company w.e.f. 22-09-2008 to run the scheme.

3. The Commissioner of Prohibition and Excise has also reported that a number of representations from toddy tappers Associations have been received alleging undue delay on the part of the Insurance Company in payment of exgratia and requesting to revert to the erstwhile exgratia scheme. The Memorandum of Understanding entered into with M/s. The Oriental Insurance Company Limited would expires by 21-09-2009. Hence the Commissioner of Prohibition & Excise has proposed for payment of compensation through exgratia by the Government after the term of the present Memorandum of Understanding is completed at the rate of Rs 2,00,000/- in the case of death , Rs. 50,000/- in case of permanent disability and Rs. 10,000/-in the case of temporary disability.

4. Government after careful examination of the matter hereby decide to pay the exgratia amount directly to the disabled toddy tappers / legal heirs of toddy tappers from the Department's budget after expiry of the present Group Insurance Policy to avoid hardship being faced by the toddy tappers actually engaged in tapping.
5. Necessary guidelines regarding operation of exgratia scheme mentioned above will be issued separately.
6. The Commissioner of Prohibition and Excise Hyderabad shall take necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Commissioner of Prohibition & Excise, Hyderabad
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